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WHITE HOUSE FOR ROBERT PASTOR AND MARY HOYT

E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: OVIP, OTRA, EC

SUBJECT: HOSPITALIZATION OF VICE ADMIRAL ALFREDO POVEDA

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1. I KNOW THAT USG WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT ECUADOREAN CHIEF OF STATE ADMIRAL ALFREDO POVEDA IS GIVEN EVERY CONSIDERATION AND COURTESY - BOTH PROTOCOLARY AND PERSONAL - DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL BEGINNING LATER THIS WEEK. I WOULD HOPE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT USG OFFICIALS AT THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL (ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH WHOM POVEDA HAS HAD PERSONAL CONTACT) MIGHT FIND THE TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE IN SOME WAY HIS PRESENCE THERE.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, FONOFF DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL HAS EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT THE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR ADMIRAL POVEDA WHILE HE IS IN US. SINCE WE ARE AWARE OF NO SERIOUS THREAT TO HIS PERSON, WE INTERPRET THIS INCONFIDENTIAL

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QUIRY AS BEING MADE TO ASSURE AT LEAST TOKEN RECOGNITION OF HIS STATUS. WHEN ANOTHER TRIUMVIRATE MEMBER, GENERAL DURAN, VISITED US A YEAR AGO, SECURITY ARRANGE-MENTS COULD NOT BE MADE IN TIME AND GOE BECAME MIFFED AND FILED A FORMAL PROTEST AT THE ALLEGED LACK OF CONSIDERATION. WE HOPE THAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN TO AVOID A REPEAT OF THIS CONTRETEMPS.

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